GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1631
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DATA ON NRIS
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the exercise relating to building a data bank on NRIs has been completed; and

(b) if so, their population thereof, country-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA)

(a) Ministry of External Affairs is in the process of building a detailed Databank on NRIs and Persons of Indian Origin(PIOs).

(b) Preliminary estimates of NRIs and PIOsin various countries have been collected through Indian Missions abroad, a list of which is enclosed.

Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.1631 dated 7.3.2001 Size of Overseas Indian Community Country-wise

Country	Total Size of Indian community	PIOs	Indian citizens	Stateless
Algeria	26		5	21
Angola	295		45	250
Argentina	1000		700	300
Armenia	200		200	
Australia	91105		61807	29298
Azerbaijan	300			
Austria	12342	3504	8838	
Bahrain	130000		130000	
Bangladesh	1000			
Belarus	100			
Benin	500			
Belgium	7000			
Bhutan	1500	1500		
Botswana	9000	3000	6000	
Brazil	1600			
Brunei	7600	500	7000	100
Bulgaria	220			
Burkina Faso				
Burundi	300			
Cambodia	155			
Cameroon	300			
Canada	700000	150000		
Cape Verde	1			
Chad	30			
Chile	650	39		
China (Hong Kong)	28500	6500	22000	
China	305	5	300	
Colombia	20	1	19	
Comores	50			
Costa Rica	16	1	15	
Cote d`Ivoire	250			
Croatia	10	10		
Cuba	NIL			
Cyprus	300			
Czech Republic	420	20	400	
Denmark	2252	1000	1252	
Ecuador	5	5		
Egypt	1390	40	1350	
Ethiopia	125			

Fiji	336830	336579	250		
Finland	1170	410	750	10	
France	40000				
Gambia	80				
Germany	40000				
Greece	7000				
Guyana	400000				
Hungary					
Indonesia	55000	50000	5000		
Iran	800	800			
Iraq	80				
Ireland	100				
Israel	45500				
Italy	38000				
Jamaica	61500	60000	1500		
Japan	2500				
Jordan	930	30	900		
Kazakhistan	1127	1127			
Kenya	102500	85000	15000	2500	
Korea(DPRK)	5	5			
Korea((ROK)	1881	950	931		
Kuwait	288589	1000	287589		
Krygyzhistan	122	100			

Lao People`s Demo Republic

Lebanon	11025	25	11000		
Libya	12000				
Lithuania	5				
Madagascar	29000	25000	3000	1000	
Malaysia	1665000	1600000	15000	50000	
Maldives	9000				
Mauritius	715756	704640	11116		
Mexico	150				
Morocco	375	25	350		
Mongolia	35	35			
Morocco	375	25	350		
Mozambique	20000	870			
Myanmar	2902000	2500000	2000	400000	
Namibia	150				
Nepal					
Netherlands	18500#	1500	15000	2000	
New Zealand	55000	50000	5000		
Nigeria	30000				
Norway	5630				
Oman	312205	1000	311205		
Panama	10164	211	1953	8000	
Papua New Guinea	800				
Peru	155	5	150		
Philippines	38500	24000	2000	12500	
Poland	600				
Portugal	70000	4500			
Qatar	125000	125000			
Romania	491	2	489		
Rwanda	500				
Russia	16000	16000			
Reunion	220055	220000	55		
Islands					
Saudi Arabia	1500000	1500000			
Senegal	50	13			
Seychelles	7500	5000	2500		
Sin gapore	217000	90000			
Slovakia	100	100			
South Africa	1092300	2000			
Spain	30000 @	16000	14000		
Sri Lanka	338051	337620	431		
Sudan	1560	1200	360		
Surinam	160208	160000	208		
Sweden	10842	9244	1598		
Switzerland	13500	8400	4800	300	
Syria	500				
Tajikistan	450	450			
Tanzania	95000	90000	5000		
Thailand	60000	40000	10000	10000	
Trinidad & Tobago	520000				
Tunisia	24	24			
Turkey	300				
Uganda	15000				
Ukraine	4000				
UAE	1200000	1200000			

UK	1000000			
USA	1500000			
Uzbekistan	650			
Venezuela	3400			
Vietnam	330	320	10	
Yemen	109000	100000		9000
Zambia	15000	8900		
Zimbabwe	16700	15500	1200	

200000 Indo Surinamese who have migrated from India to Surinam and are now in the Netherlands.

@ Andorra -about 150 NRIs are in this Principality

In addition to the figures included in this statement, an estimated one million people of Indian origin holding foreign nationality have reportedly migrated to third countries.